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1. On 12 September 1952, 12 x 85-mm, 3 x 37-mm AA guns, 15 trucks, including 5 of 5 radio trucks and 5 field kitchens were unloaded at the Rehagen (N 53/Z 81)-Klausdorf railroad station. A column of 3 x 85-mm AA guns, 4 x 37-mm AA guns, 5 radio trucks and about 20 trucks including 3 of the and 4 of left the Eisenbahnpionier Kaserne on the south side of the Rehagen-Klausdorf road on 16 September. Troops held an exercise east of Kammersdorf on the same day, involving 6 x 85-mm AA guns, 2 searchlights and trucks (1)

2. At 8 p.m. on 15 September, a train with about 30 trucks, each carrying a pontoon, 10 trucks, 3 motorboats including one with the 1 truck mounting a hoisting gear and troops on 5 boxcars passed through the Wittenberg (N 52/E 37) railroad station, coming from the direction of Justerbog and proceeding toward Dessau. The trucks included some of (2)

3. The following railroad cars were unloaded at the Aken freight station (N 52/D 96) during the period from 4 to 11 September 1952:

4 September 1 flatcar with 2 pontoons and bridge-building material including U-shaped iron about 5 meters long, which were unloaded by 15 soldiers wearing black-bordered black spaullets. The car came from the engineer equipment depot Ketschendorf and was dispatched in Fuerstenwalde.

5, 7, and 9 September 1 car each with 18-meter tree trunks from Ballenstedt (N 52/D 45), consigned to Aken. The truck hauled the tree trunks away.

8 September a shipment of about 120 soldiers who came from the direction of Dessau and were transported toward Bernburg on trucks and

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11 September 14 boxcars with troops wearing black-bordered black epaulets, 8 flatcars with engineer equipment, 1 carload of barbed wire and 6 cars with trucks, including [redacted] The train arrived from the direction of Koethen. (3)

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4. On 12 September, [redacted] learned from a captain in Leisnig (N 52/K 69) that an advance party of the unit from Koenigsbrueck would arrive at the post during the next days. (4)
5. At 12 p.m. on 11 September, engineer troops held several exercises in the Saale River bend south of Bad Koesen (M 52/J 78). Five pontoon bridges were constructed across the river, with 12 pontoons already in the water and 60 other pontoons still on the shore. [redacted] observed a total of 65 soldiers and 5 trucks of [redacted] (5)

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[redacted] Comments.

- (1) According to records on transportation, two trains with units of the 2d Gds AAA Div came from Wustrow the same day. See [redacted]
- (2) According to [redacted] elements of the 35th Engr Regt (US) of the 3d Gds Mecz Army presumably went to the Dessau engineer training area.
- (3) [redacted] belong to the GOFB. The unit with [redacted] cannot be identified.
- (4) Elements of the 8th Gds Mecz Div from Leisnig were last confirmed at Koenigsbrueck by [redacted] at the beginning of August 1952. [redacted]
- (5) [redacted] again confirm engineer units of the Eighth Gds Army. [redacted]

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